

# East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held  
at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012 in the Village Hall

## Present:

Cllrs N Stanley, I Stephens, M Goddard and R Small. In attendance: Clerk, S Pickard.  
Members of the public: 0.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** – were received from Cllr Mrs A Stanley, P Ogle, H Mackintosh, CCllr Hemsall and Pc Bailey.
- 2 **Minutes of meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2012** - were approved and signed.
- 3 **Matters Arising**
  - a) Highways defects: potholes/street lighting and road signs down; some potholes have been done and road signs will be attended to as and when staff are available. Night time switch-off of street lighting is now in operation. There are three drains on Top Street that need clearing. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
  - b) Overhanging branches at property on Top Street - The Chairman advised that an inspector has yet to call at the property.
  - c) Bassetlaw Spring Clean – The Clerk advised that gloves and bags will be provided by the District Council for use during the tidy-up next month.
  - d) Poplar Farm/North Green House – the Chairman advised that the owner now lived in Spain and it was therefore doubtful that any request for tidying would be undertaken.
- 4 **Declarations of Interest** – There were no declarations.
- 5 **Correspondence**  
Bassetlaw District Council:
  - a) District and Parish Council Election notices
- 6 **Planning** – there were no planning matters.
- 7 **General Business**
  - i) Village Newsletter – The Chairman advised that Cllr Mackintosh was hoping for the second publication to be available on 1<sup>st</sup> April. Items for inclusion: dog fouling, Macdonalds' litter and a message from the Chairman regarding entry of the Best Kept Village competition.
  - ii) Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebration – main decision at last night's meeting was the appointment of volunteers to prepare the food.
  - iii) Reply from PC Bailey re new Policing structure: PC Bailey commented that East Drayton's response was similar to many he had received. He hoped nothing would change too much and he would still to aim to drop-in on meetings when available.
- 8 **Meeting adjourned for Public Discussion** – no members of the public were present.

## 9 Finance

- a) Income – None. However, DCllrs Keith and Shirley Isard had sent a cheque (made payable to the Parish Council) for £250 for the Village Hall Trust Fund from Bassetlaw District Council. This will therefore be paid into Parish Council's funds and a cheque issued to the Village Hall committee. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- b) Accounts for Payment
- i) The Council agreed payment of £17.25 being the Clerk's expenses. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
  - ii) The Council agreed payment of £4.00 for entry into the Best Kept Village Competition. **ACTION: S Pickard.**
- c) Balance of Accounts  
The account balances as at 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012 were:
- |               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
|               | £             |
| Nottingham BS | 1,907.93      |
| Lloyds TSB    | <u>669.82</u> |
|               | 2,577.75      |
- d) Transfer of Funds – Not required.
- e) Internal Audit – The Clerk advised Mrs Jose Ellis has kindly agreed to undertake the internal audit of the Parish Council's accounts. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

## 10 Urgent Business

- i) Neighbourhood Watch Association: The Chairman commented that he had completed an on-line questionnaire about the Safer Neighbourhood Groups; but was disappointed not to receive any feedback. Despite requests from the Association for updates, information and an invoice, he has heard nothing.
- ii) Best Kept Village Competition – It was AGREED to enter the competition again this year. Areas to be excluded were discussed and will be noted on the entry form and a map to be included for the Judges. Entry price £4.00. **ACTION: S Pickard.**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

**11 Date and time of next meeting** – The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on **Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at 7.30 pm and the Annual Parish Meeting to follow immediately afterwards at 8pm.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_